

**NOVEMBER 2022** 

## **OPEN TOURNAMENT SUCCESS**



Congratulations to Graeme Norman who with his partner won the Peter Benham Memorial Open Pairs in Wellington in October.

# WAIKANAE INTERMEDIATE AND JUNIOR TOURNAMENTS



Our Intermediate and Junior tournaments were held at the Club on Sunday 6 November. Six tables of Juniors played separately from the thirteen tables of Intermediates. Congratulations to our top performers, Gillian van Raalte and Pat Stuart (above) who won a session and came second in the junior section. Many thanks to Margaret Gordon for so ably organising the tourna-

ment.

## LOVEBLOCK NZ WIDE PAIRS

The Loveblock NZ Wide Pairs was played on Friday 11 November with 26 pairs taking part at Waikanae. Congratulations to our top scoring pairs, Pryor Rowland/John Donbavand (77<sup>th</sup>) and Derek Snelling/Isobel Ross (88<sup>th</sup>). 865 pairs from 55 clubs all over the country.



The field comprised

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#### WELLINGTON REGION JUNIOR TOURNAMENT



A squad of fifteen Juniors and Novices played in Wellington in the Wellington Region Junior Tournament. Well done to all those players trying out the tournament environment for the first time.

Congratulations to Novices Evita McGuire (left) and David Chalmers (right) who not only were

the top scoring Novice pair but also took the top placing for our club.

Here is the team...



# **IMPROVING OUR PLAY**

Our second set of Improvers lessons for the year was taken by Graham Cheater and was an enjoyable challenge for those who attended. We worked our way through examples, played hands and had some testing homework about card reading, inferences and discovery play.

The club is very fortunate to be able to call on the expertise of such as Graham Cheater, Graeme Norman and Judith Jackson to help us learn the ropes at different levels. Many thanks to our teachers.



We are sorry to lose Val Andrews after her long association with the club. Val was playing with us until the end of October. Our kindest thoughts go out to her family.



### **T-SHIRTS**

Waikaruae Bridge Club

The new t-shirts with the club logo got their first outing at the Regional Junior tournament and are seen below modelled by Elaine Westlake, Judi Vernau, Margaret Gordon, Margaret Radford and Evita McGuire.



If you would like to order a t-shirt (\$25) or a polo shirt (\$35) with our logo printed on it please contact Margaret Gordon on 027 8329777 or <a href="marjohnzoe@gmail.com">marjohnzoe@gmail.com</a> and we will get one for you.

# **SESSION WINNERS**



# FOR OCTOBER 2022

Congratulations to the session winners over the last month.

Totara Medley Adriane Hart Pairs

Colleen Jones Medley

Des Ellis Medley

John Mautner Medley

Monday Pairs

Tuesday Pairs Open

Intermediate

Junior

Thursday Pairs Friday Pairs Beverley Jackson

Maureen Pratchett and Vicky Young

Jeanne Wardill Miriam Lewin

**Graham Cheater** 

Eileen Queree and Vicki Boffa Carol Hogan and Graeme Norman

Pat Reynolds and Linda Hair

no eligible pairs this year

Judith Jackson and Jeanne Wardill Peter Farley and Graham Cheater

# **RETURNS PLEASE**



Do you have any books from the library sitting around home? Please bring them all back so others can read them. Also if you have a trophy, please give it a polish and return it as soon as possible.





## **CHRISTMAS PARTY**

Make sure you mark in your diary the club Christmas Party on Thursday 8 December. We begin around 4.30pm after the day's play. Come along whether you have played or not and bring your life partner if you wish. For those who want to attend there will be a list on the top table for you to put your name(s), or if you prefer, email the secretary on <a href="mailto:waikanaebridge@xtra.co.nz">waikanaebridge@xtra.co.nz</a>

There is no charge to members, however please pay \$20 to the club if you bring your partner.

At the Christmas Party we present the eight major trophies: Monday Pairs, Tuesday Pairs (the top Junior, Intermediate and Open pairs on Tuesdays), Thursday Pairs, Friday Pairs, Most Improved Junior and Most Grand Slams. You will also be able to collect your 2023 booklet at that time.

## **DATES AHEAD**

Our last playing date is Tuesday 13 Dec and we begin in the New Year on Monday 9 January 2023.

A priest, a minister and a rabbit came to the bridge table. The priest said to the rabbit, "Which way would you like to sit?"

"I have no idea," replied the rabbit, "I'm only here because of predictive text."

Happy Christmas

Ady Dale President

